IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE TWENTY NINTH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE B.SESHASAYANA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO : 10538 of 2005

Between:

1 K. Soma Reddy S/o Yadav Reddy, occ: Conductor, E.No.57820,

C/o Jangaon Bus Depot, APSRTC., Warangal District
2 M.B. Reddy S/o narasimha Reddy, Occ: Conductor, E.No.306440

C/o Jangaon Bus Depot, APSRTC., Warangal District

..... PETITIONERS

AND

1 The regional Manager, APSRTC. WArangal Region, Warangal District
2 The Depot Manager, APSRTC. Jangaon Bus Depot, Warangal District

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue an order, direction or Writ more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in not granting the special Grade/Stagnation Increment to the petitioner with effect from their completion of 12 years of service in APSRTC. in total (All Regions) and counting the present regions services of 12 years for 12 years Stagnation increment/Special Grade increments in arbitrary, illegal, unjust and contrary to the circulars and consequently direct the respondents to effect the 12 years stagnation increments/Special Grade to the petitioners on their completion of 12 years of Service in the all the regions of the Corporation and pass such further others orders or orders as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper under the circumstances of the case.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.G.RAVI MOHAN

Counsel for the Respondent Nos.1 & 2: SMT.P.RAJANI REDDY

The Court made the following :

ORDER:

This writ petition is filed questioning the action of the respondents in not releasing the stagnation increments to the petitioners.

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and the learned standing counsel appearing for the respondents.

Admittedly, the issue has been squarely covered by a Judgment of Division Bench of this Court dated 29-10-2002 in "*The Regional Manager, A.P.S.R.T.C, Mahaboobnagar v. Buchana & others"* (W.A.1301 of 2000).

It is not in dispute that the petitioners have put in a requisite number of years of service, which entitle them for stagnation increments. In the said situation, there are no valid reasons for the respondents to deny the claim of the petitioners for stagnation increments.

Accordingly, the writ petition is allowed at the stage of admission. The respondents are directed to grant stagnation increments to the petitioners. No costs.

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